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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
PROTECTING A CLIENT
DURING RUNTIME FROM
HOSTILE DOWNLOADABLES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Before examining the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please add claims 48-51, as follows:

--48. A method, comprising:

intercepting, by an operating system probe associated with an operating system function, an operating system call being issued by a downloadable to an operating system and associated with the operating system function;

comparing, by a runtime environment monitor, the operating system call against a predetermined security policy before allowing the operating system to process the operating system call;

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